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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

1 (currently amended): A wide angle reflective element for a mirror assembly for a vehicle comprising:

a ~~wide angle mirror~~ substrate having an exterior surface comprising a less curved inboard ~~portion or surface~~ and a more curved outboard ~~portion or surface~~, said substrate ~~comprising~~ formed by one of casting, extrusion or injection molding of a polymeric resin material, said substrate having a reflector disposed on a surface thereof to provide a reflective element for a vehicle mirror assembly; and

a thin at least partially flexible glass film disposed sheet adhered to said exterior surface so as to provide an anti-abrasion layer at said outboard and inboard surfaces of said exterior surface, said thin at least partially flexible glass sheet film adapted to substantially conform conforming to said exterior surface of said wide angle substrate, said thin at least partially flexible glass sheet film comprising a glass material and having a thickness of less than approximately 0.8 mm.

2 (currently amended): The wide angle reflective element of claim 1, wherein said ~~glass film~~ comprises a flexible glass film reflector is disposed at an inner surface of said substrate opposite said exterior surface.

3 (currently amended): The wide angle reflective element of claim 1, wherein said substrate is cut from a molded or extruded or cast strip or sheet, said ~~glass film sheet~~ being applied laminated to said strip or sheet, at least two substrates being cut from said strip or sheet.

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4 (currently amended): The wide angle reflective element of claim 3, wherein said reflector comprises including a reflective film applied to said strip or sheet on an inner surface of said substrates opposite said exterior surface.

5 (currently amended): The wide angle reflective element of claim 1, wherein said reflector comprises including a reflective film applied to an inner surface of said substrate opposite said exterior surface.

6 (currently amended): The wide angle reflective element of claim 5, wherein said reflective film comprises a polymeric reflective film at least one of laminated, or otherwise adhered and or applied to said inner surface of said substrate.

7 (original): The wide angle reflective element of claim 6, wherein said reflective film comprises an all polymer-thin-film multilayer, high reflective mirror film comprising multiple coextrusion of many plastic layers to form a highly reflective mirror film.

8 (currently amended): The wide angle reflective element of claim 1, wherein said reflector comprises including a reflective film applied to said exterior surface of said substrate, said glass film being applied to an exterior surface of said reflective film.

9 (currently amended): The wide angle reflective element of claim 8, wherein said reflective film comprises a polymeric reflective film at least one of laminated, or adhered or otherwise and applied to said exterior surface of said substrate.

10. The wide angle reflective element of claim 9, wherein said reflective film comprises an all polymer-thin-film multilayer, high reflective mirror film comprising multiple coextrusion of many plastic layers to form a highly reflective mirror film.

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11 (original): The wide angle reflective element of claim 1, wherein said reflective element is adapted for one of an interior rearview mirror assembly and an exterior rearview mirror assembly.

12-21 (canceled).